

# St. Paul the Apostle Parish



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**Fr. Michael J. Morrow**

**Deacon Rudolph Teng**

**Deacon Thomas Barbagallo**

### Masses

Saturday 9:00 AM      Sunday Vigil 5:00 PM  
Sunday 7:45 AM, 9:15 AM, 10:45 AM, 12:15 PM  
Latin Mass 1:30 PM, first three Sundays  
2:30 PM fourth Sunday of the Month.  
Weekdays 9:00 AM  
Holy Days 6:45 AM, 9:00 AM, 7:30 PM

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### Religious Education Office

Jackie Barton - Coordinator of Religious  
Education  
602 McLean Ave., Yonkers, NY 10705  
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### Sacrament of Baptism

Sundays at 2:45pm except the 4th Sunday of  
each month by appointment

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 4:00-4:45 PM. Anytime requested.

### Sacrament of Marriage

Six months advance notice is mandatory.  
Marriage preparation course required.  
Call rectory for appointment.

### Sacrament of the Sick

Call the rectory for attention to home-bound

### Parish Registration

Contact the rectory

### Parish

Website: [www.stpaulyonkers.org](http://www.stpaulyonkers.org)  
E-mail: [stpaulyonkers@gmail.com](mailto:stpaulyonkers@gmail.com)

### Parish Meetings

Monday 6:45 PM St. Paul's Folk Dance  
Tuesday 7:30 Legion of Mary  
Tuesday 8:00 PM Prayer Group  
2nd Tuesday 8:00 PM Men's Group  
Wednesday 7:00 PM A.A. Open Meeting  
Thursday 7:00 PM A.A. Beginners  
Thursday 8:00 PM A.A. Closed Meeting  
Thursday 7:00 PM Al-Anon  
1st Friday 9:30-11:00 Adoration  
1st Friday 7:00 PM Holy Hour  
Friday 7:30 PM Boy Scouts  
Saturday 9:30 AM Religious Educ. PreK-8  
Sunday 7:00 PM A.A. Open Meeting

### Pregnancy Hot Line

Tel: 800-640-0767



## THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

### MARCH 23, 2025



<b><u>Intention:</u></b>	<b><u>Requested by:</u></b>
<b><u>Saturday</u></b>	<b><u>Mar. 22, 2025</u></b>
5:00 Monika Lelo (Dunz)	Family
<b><u>Sunday</u></b>	<b><u>Mar. 23, 2025</u></b>
7:45 George J. Abraham & Zita Lee	Family
9:15 Ida, Angelo & Antonietta DeLuccia	
10:45 For the People of the Parish	
12:15 Katie DeFilippis	Legion of Mary
2:30 Mary Divine (4 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary)	
<b><u>Monday</u></b>	<b><u>Mar. 24, 2025</u></b>
9:00 Wilhelmina Antonio	Teng family
12:00 Joe & Betty Boland	Alicia Boland
<b><u>Tuesday</u></b>	<b><u>Mar. 25, 2025</u></b>
9:00 Anthony Spadaccini	
<b><u>Wednesday</u></b>	<b><u>Mar. 26, 2025</u></b>
9:00 Brian Bergen (Anniversary)	Bergen family
12:00 The Curran Family	Alicia Boland
<b><u>Thursday</u></b>	<b><u>Mar. 27, 2025</u></b>
9:00 Michael Walsh & Mary & Bill Soncksen	
12:00 Catherine Kocur	Alicia Boland
<b><u>Friday</u></b>	<b><u>Mar. 28, 2025</u></b>
9:00 Peter & Ann Fetzko	Rosanne Snyder
<b><u>Saturday</u></b>	<b><u>Mar. 29, 2025</u></b>
9:00 Lorraine Catherall	Geraldine Mauro
12:00 Dick & Janet Johnson (living)	
5:00 Jeanette & Henry Kostivitch	M/M J. O'Neill
<b><u>Sunday</u></b>	<b><u>Mar. 30, 2025</u></b>
7:45 Ronald Lee	Sharon Abraham
9:15 For the People of the Parish	
10:45 Members of Murtha & Albert families	
12:15 Mary Shea Condon	Family
1:30 Stefanina DiPippo Doran	



Michael Curtin, Richard Lyons, Grace Lyons, Ayanah Audrey Naron, Denyse Guariglia, Irene DiGenno, Rene Laino, Barbara Dallow, Deirdra Fallon, Cresvic Flores, Pattiann DelPescio, Waldina Pineda, John Ritter, Isiah Digsby, Joseph Molack, Antone Flores, Victor Fierro, Timothy O'Connor, Valentina Rakaj, Maureen Pastor, Pete Coppa, Rosemary Libre, Steven Guzzardi, Joseph Reagan, Joan Hayes, Sarah Haack and Pope Francis.



Please remember in prayer all those who died this week, especially, Daryl Patrimonio, Lorraine Catherall, Nora Nugent, Paul Antonicelli, Elizabeth Bulzacchelli, Jane Fay, and those who mourn them.

**LECTORS:**

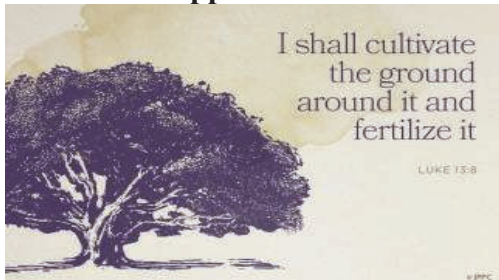
Mar. 22 <sup>nd</sup>	5:00 D. Estrosas	
Mar. 23 <sup>rd</sup>	7:45 S. Abraham	9:15 A. Canale
	10:45 A. Urgola	12:15 F. Brady

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**STEWARDSHIP: Week of March 16, 2025**

1 <sup>st</sup> Collection	\$3,442
2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection	\$965
Shrines	\$200
On-line Giving	\$1,850
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$6,457</b>

Thank you for your continued support of our Parish and its many needs. Your financial generosity for the upkeep of our Parish buildings and programs is essential and greatly appreciated. To sign up for WeShare go to [stpaulyonkers.org](http://stpaulyonkers.org) and click "Online Giving". *Thank you for your generosity!*





***Christ Is the Center of Life. There Are No Half-Measures***  
Blessed Rupert Mayer S.J., Apostle of Munich, Germany

## **Ashamed of the Son of Man?**

***They who want to win the world for Christ must have the courage to come into conflict with it.***

~Saint Titus Brandsma O.Carm, Martyr

Hearing (Mark 8:34ff), the following hard words of Jesus hit home: *For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of Man also be ashamed, when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.*

For many contemporary Catholics, denying Jesus takes the form not of apostasy under duress but of "being ashamed" of him and his words -- not frequently, perhaps, but on those occasions when they are anxious not to appear uncouth or ignorant or in the grip of unfashionable moral hang-ups. Business luncheons, faculty receptions, parties can, by more subtle means, accomplish what Tyburn\* and the Coliseum could not.



A memento of the Tyburn-Martyrs in London at a traffic circle!

(\*Tyburn in London was a place of execution of numerous Catholics martyrs who refused to recognize a Church of England started by Henry VIII. An image of the Tyburn Martyrs hangs in our parish May they intercede for us.)

When a Christian finds himself in the company of prosperous scoffers, it's hard, particularly with a manhattan or glass of chardonnay in hand, to interrupt the flow of elegant blasphemy, and it's all too easy to fake agreement by one's silence. (There's a maxim in the law: he who remains silent, consents.) In such circles, mention of the Son of Man -- i.e., positive, non-sarcastic mention -- is as unlovely as a brown tooth. Yet what Christian would have the honesty to admit that he kept quiet in such circumstances because he was *ashamed* of Jesus? It hurts to think about it. **Readers of C.S. Lewis's *Screwtape Letters* will remember the demon Wormwood's attempt to damn his patient** by acquainting him with "just the sort of people we want him to know -- rich, smart, superficially intellectual, and brightly skeptical about everything in the world." The senior devil Screwtape wants to make capital out of the tactical situation: *Tell me more. Did he commit himself deeply? I don't mean in words. There is a subtle play of looks and tones and laughs by which a Mortal can imply that he is of the same party as those to whom he is speaking. That is the kind of betrayal you should specially encourage, because the man does not fully realize it himself; and by the time he does you will have made withdrawal difficult.*

*No doubt he must very soon realize that his own faith is in direct opposition to the assumptions on which all the conversation of his new friends is based. I don't think that matters much provided that you can persuade him to postpone any open acknowledgment of the fact, and this, with the aid of shame, pride, modesty and vanity, will be easy to do. As long as the postponement lasts, he will be in a false position. He will be silent when he ought to speak and laugh when he ought to be silent. He will assume, at first only by his manner, but presently by his words, all sorts of cynical and skeptical attitudes which are not really his. But if you play him well, they may become his. All mortals tend to turn into the thing they are pretending to be.*

The chilling fact is that a believing, ordinarily dutiful Christian can be brought to deny the Son of Man without any of the barbarities of the torture chamber, but simply through the desire to get a laugh or avoid a sneer. I wonder how much of the headway that the counter-Christians have made among Western élites is abetted by these trivial acts of moral cowardice on the part of believers who know better (and know they know better). It's not clear what the Son of Man's "being ashamed of" will consist in -- i.e., his being ashamed, when he comes in his glory, of those who were ashamed of him? Whatever form it takes, it's pretty horrible to contemplate. (END)

**NOTE: Jesus is referred to as the "Son of Man" 88 times in the New Testament.** One meaning of the phrase "Son of Man" is as a reference to the prophecy of Daniel 7:13-14, "In my vision at night I looked, and there before me was one like a son of man, coming with the clouds of heaven. He approached the Ancient of Days and was led into his presence. He was given authority, glory and sovereign power; all peoples, nations and men of every language worshiped him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that will not pass away, and his kingdom is one that will never be destroyed." The description "Son of Man" was a Messianic title. Jesus is the One who was given dominion and glory and a kingdom. When Jesus used this phrase, He was assigning the Son of Man prophecy to Himself. The Jews of that era would have been intimately familiar with the phrase and to whom it referred. Jesus was proclaiming Himself as the Messiah.

A second meaning of the phrase "Son of Man" is that Jesus is truly Man. God called the prophet Ezekiel "son of man" 93 times. God was simply calling Ezekiel a man: son of a man is a man. Jesus is fully God (John 1:1), but He is also truly Man (John 1:14). First John 4:2 tells us, "This is how you can recognize the Spirit of God: Every spirit that acknowledges that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God." Yes, Jesus is the Son of God—He is in His essence God. Yes, Jesus is also the Son of Man—He is a man with a human nature. In summary, the phrase "Son of Man" indicates that Jesus is the Messiah and that He is truly Man as well as God.

### **On the Spiritual Illness of the Times**

Irrationality, the abdication of reason, the annihilation of critical judgment and the denial of evidence are the major viruses of our time, which in rebellion against God manifest a delirium of omnipotence and in collective madness reveal the just nemesis of this wicked challenge...Each of us has been desired, thought of, and created to give glory to God and to be part of a great design of Providence. From all eternity the Lord has called us to share with Him in the work of Redemption, to cooperate in the salvation of souls and the triumph of good. Each of us today has the possibility of choosing to align himself with Christ or against Christ, to fight for the cause of good or to make himself an accomplice of the workers of iniquity. The victory of God is certain, as certain as the reward that awaits those who make the choice to enter the battlefield alongside the King of kings; and the defeat of those who serve the Enemy is also certain: eternal damnation. Be witnesses of Christ, courageous champions of Truth and Goodness: in hospital wards, from the chairs of schools and universities, from the altar and the pulpit, at work, in the office, in the shop, in the family, in your daily commitments and, yes, even in pains and trials. Be worthy heirs of the Saints who have preceded you, remembering that you will have to answer for your silence, your complicity, and your cooperation with evil: if you can escape the condemnation of men, you will not be able to escape the judgment of God; just as you will be rewarded for the good you have done and witnessed to.



## STATIONS of the CROSS

During Lent Stations of the Cross will be prayed  
Friday evenings at 7PM

## 40 DAYS FOR LIFE.

During the 40 Days for Life, we stand in peaceful, prayerful witness at abortion facilities. Through thousands of campaigns happening around the world, we stand in solidarity with the most vulnerable and beg the Lord to pour out graces of conversion and healing. To learn more about the 40 Days for Life campaign, visit [www.40daysforlife.com](http://www.40daysforlife.com).

### FORMED

**Bible Study and More!** Go to [stpaulyonkers.formed.org](http://stpaulyonkers.formed.org) and register which gives you access to quality Catholic on line programs, movies, audios, and books. Today is the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Lent. Tuesday is the Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord. Study: The Bible and the Virgin Mary, Lesson 1: *A Biblical Introduction to Mary*, Lesson 2: *Handmaid of the Lord*, or The Wild Goose, Episode 4: *The Spirit and Our Lady*. Watch: *A Bible Study on the Annunciation, Mary of Nazareth* or Listen to: *Mary: Handmaid of the Lord, Mary the Indispensable Mother of God*, or *The Virgin Mary Revealed Through Scripture*.



Each year, our parish makes it a priority to generously support our brothers and sisters across the archdiocese through the Cardinal's Appeal. As of today, we have made significant progress towards our goal. **THANK YOU** to the many who have made this possible! If you have not given to the Appeal before, we invite you to make a commitment to investing in our Church this weekend by visiting [www.cardinalsappeal.org/donate](http://www.cardinalsappeal.org/donate). To learn more about the Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal, contact us at 646-794-3300 or visit [cardinalsappeal.org](http://cardinalsappeal.org).



**Weekly Friday Adoration:** Our Lord will be exposed on the altar for an hour every Friday morning from 9:30 to 10:30am. The hour will begin with a recitation of the Rosary followed by silent prayer.

**The Knights of Columbus** will be selling mainly \$5 religious items at the masses on March 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup>. All proceeds will go to four Yonkers churches, including St. Paul's, and other Catholic charities.

The Parish of St. Augustine, Ossining, NY, is pleased to announce the arrival of **The Blessed Carlo Acutis Eucharistic Miracles Poster Exhibit** on Sat., March 29<sup>th</sup>, and Sun., March 30<sup>th</sup> in their Parish Hall from 9 am to 6 pm. For more details, visit [StAugNY.org](http://StAugNY.org).

Couples celebrating their **Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary** anytime during 2025 are invited to attend the **Golden Wedding Jubilee Mass** with Cardinal Dolan at St. Patrick's Cathedral on Sunday, June 1 at 2:30 PM. Each couple may bring up to four (4) additional guests. Pre-registration is required. Contact your parish to register before Monday, May 12, 2025 at 5:00 PM

**Called & Gifted for Life Formation Day** - Saturday, March 29<sup>th</sup>, 9am-4pm -St. Joseph's Seminary, Yonkers. God has called and gifted you for mission. Come, discover your charisms and let the Holy Spirit's gifts be activated in your life! This Formation Day will introduce you to the charisms and empower you to discover and activate your God-given gifts on behalf of life. Sponsored by the Respect Life Office, the Sisters of Life, and the Catherine of Siena Institute. Register: [www.bit.ly/nycalledgifted](http://www.bit.ly/nycalledgifted)

The Matthew Wallace Foundation presents **Around the World in 80 Days Pocketbook Bingo** -Sat., April 5<sup>th</sup>, 7pm-10pm, at Mount St. Michael Academy. Tickets are \$55pp. Contact Sandy at 914-619-6862 for tickets or more information.



**Tax statements** for your church contributions are available, at your request, at the rectory. Please call the rectory weekdays before noon or preferably email your request to [stpaulyonkers@gmail.com](mailto:stpaulyonkers@gmail.com) and a statement will be mailed to you.



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